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SUBJ: CIVAIR: CATCA SUSPENDS QUEBEC DIRECTOR AND SURFACE
CRITICISM BY CLC

1. IN WAKE OF TENSION BETWEEN ENGLISH AND FRENCH-
SPEAKING AIR TRAFFIC CONTROLLERS AT MONTREAL, JEAN-LUC
PATENAUE CATCA'S REGIONAL DIRECTOR FOR QUEBEC WAS
SUSPENDED FROM NATIONAL EXECUTIVE. CATCA'S ACTION
FOLLOWED PATENAUE'S REFUSAL TO SUPPORT RECOMMENDATION
TO MEMBERSHIP URGING RATIFICATION OF NEW CONTRACT AND
HIS ALLEGED EFFORTS TO DISAFFILIATE FRANCOPHONE
CONTROLLERS FROM CATCA. WHILE THERE IS SUPPORT AMONG
QUEBEC CONTROLLERS TO FORM SEPARATE UNION, SUCH
ACTION CAN ONLY BE TAKEN WITH APPROVAL OF PUBLIC
SERVICE STAFF RELATIONS BOARD DURING OPEN CONTRACT
PERIOD. CATCA ON VERGE OF RATIFYING NEW AGREEMENT.

2. CANADIAN LABOUR CONGRESS (CLC) HAS ACCUSED BOTH
GOC AND PILOTS (CALPA) AND CONTROLLERS (CATCA) OF
HAVING ESCALATED SAFETY DISPUTE INTO CONFLICT
THAT "DIVIDES CANADIANS ALONG LANGUAGE LINES AND
SUBMERGES ORIGINAL QUESTION BENEATH SEA OF
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RACIAL PREJUDICES." CLC STRONGLY CRITICIZED BOTH

UNIONS FOR THEIR INTERNAL DIVISIONS ALONG LANGUAGE
LINES AND URGED TO LAY ASIDE THEIR PREJUDICES AND
CONCENTRATE ON AIR SAFETY ISSUE. FURTHERMORE CLC
EXPRESSED FULL SUPPORT FOR INQUIRY COMMISSION,
NOTING THAT IF IT FINDS BILINGUAL ATC SAFE IT SHOULD BE IMPE-
MENTED WITHOUT FURTHER DEBATE. CLC, WHICH HAS LARGE MEMBERSHIP
IN QUEBEC, HAS BEEN CONSISTENT SUPPORTER OF
BILINGUALISM. NEVERTHELESS, THE FACT THAT CALPA
IS INDEPENDENT UNION AND CATCA SEVERED ITS CLC
AFFILIATION ABOUT 18 MONTHS AGO REMOVED ANY RESTRAINTS
THAT CLC MIGHT HAVE HAD IN ATTACKING THESE TWO
UNIONS.
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